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University Sports Clubs Webinar

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Agenda

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5. Open Days/Sport Fair - LM

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Sport Service Operations



When will University Sports Facilities open?

Phase 1 – Planned until the end of August

Sports Centre – Target Date - July 2020

Wilberforce Road Sports Ground – Target Date – July 2020

Fenner's Tennis & Cricket Ground – Target Date – TBC

Subject to:

- The government lifting current restrictions for our sector
- The Sports Service being able to meet any industry requirements that are subsequently imposed
- Completing all statutory checks and achieving sign off by University Estate Management
- All staff trained and new operating systems in place

Impact on Clubs Using Sports Service Facilities

Resource Allocations

- Subject to change due to restrictions on permitted activities and social distance rules

Equipment usage and storage

- Considerations on permitted shared equipment and required storage and cleaning processes

BUCS and University Clubs



BUCS Update

- BUCS suspended all sporting and non-sporting activity in March for the rest of the academic year 2019-20
 - The BUCS Points table was voided for 2019-20
- BUCS have applied promotion and relegation, where possible, based on the tables at the 18 March 2020
 - The process for this was consulted with and agreed upon by the membership institutions, along with the process for deciding Premier tier playoffs
- The BUCS office is currently closed with most staff placed on furlough leave from April 2020
- Regarding returning to play, challenges exist not just on the field of play but also with areas including transport, accommodation and equipment
- BUCS are adding regular updates to their website, and we will endeavour to keep clubs up to date with progress

BUCS Announcements – 1/2

BUCS League Programme

- Next season, BUCS leagues will take place between January and April 2021. The only exception will be outdoor cricket, which will start in April as usual
- The decision to focus on Term 2 is a result of feedback from BUCS member institutions (over 110 were engaged), who want to be able to support students in their preparation for returning to competitive team sport safely
- The 2020-21 season will be considered a ‘bridging season’ with no promotion or relegation at the conclusion of competition. League standings from 2019-20 will be used to create the 2021-22 league structures for those institutions who maintain affiliation to BUCS in 2020-21
- The size of leagues, and the inclusion of cup knockout competitions alongside the league programme, is still under review. The staged entry process over the next few months will allow BUCS to see how many teams wish to/are able to enter the bridging season.
 - It is likely that fewer teams will enter, hence the decision to apply promotion and relegation for the 2021-22 season on the final standings in 2019-20.
 - All Cambridge teams will be entered unless we are advised otherwise by clubs

BUCS Announcements 2/2

BUCS Event Programme

- BUCS has been working with their delivery partners and national governing bodies to assess the viability of their event programme of over 120 events. They plan to release the full calendar of 2020-21 BUCS Events by Friday 28 August 2020.
- BUCS are planning the event calendar as normal, in the hopes that they will be able to offer activity should it be safe and appropriate to do so.
 - It is possible that events planned for term 1 may be postponed until term 2
- They are exploring the viability of expanding existing offers within sports that best lend themselves to social distancing guidelines.
- BUCS are also considering other ideas, such as virtual activity, to broaden the demographic of students engaging with BUCS competition.

Impact on University Clubs

- Competitive opportunities for many sports will be limited in the Michaelmas Term 2020
- Clubs will need to innovate to ensure that they can still attract members and train effectively. The Sports Service will support clubs in generating interest and awareness
- The Sports Service will work with each club on a 'return to sport' plan, including safety assessments, as government and NGB guidance becomes available. This will include planning and implementation of inter-collegiate competitions where run by University Sports Clubs
- New online Club Safety Training module available via Moodle. Online concussion training module also planned
- We will deliver training for new Captains and relevant committee members in Michaelmas term ahead of the BUCS season resuming



Club Registration & End of Year Information



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Club Registration is now open for next academic year for those clubs who register with the Sports Service – closing date: **5 October 2020**

- New: Selection policy
- New: Safety Officer online training
- Update: Safety Policy
- Review your Website
- Welfare Officer Training
- Review your Budget

Sporting societies should maintain their registration with the University Proctors until the outcome of the Societies Review is published. The Sports Service will continue to support sporting societies where possible.

End of Year Information 2019-2020

- Please ensure this is completed as soon as you have elected your new committee.

Return to Play

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Return to Play – University Sports Clubs

Sports Service Process for Return to Play

- Clubs to communicate intended start date for activity
- Government and National Governing Body permit activity (either at full or reduced capacity)
- Club risk assessment(s) in place for:
 - Activity (including transport)
 - Facility (if external)
- Sports Service review of documentation
- Sports Service Sign off
- Review date 2 weeks after activity has commenced to ensure compliance with guidance and receive feedback from the club regarding how the restrictions are impacting the club

Return to Play – College Sport

What can you do for College sport?

- With no BUCS league competition, Intercollegiate sport will be the focus of sport at Cambridge during Michaelmas 2020
- The Sports Service has the staff available to support clubs with redesigning their college league offering and or implementing new small-sided league structures for Clubs
- There will be a programme of physical activity options available

Open Days and Sports Fair 2020



University Open Days & Sports Fair

University Open Days

- 2 & 3 July – think about the content on your media channels to reach prospective members
 - Player profiles
 - Member testimonials – what does it mean to be part of your club?
- A Sport Service video has been produced for inclusion with the central University communications

Sports Fair 2020

- Virtual event in Michaelmas 2020
- Video content from each club
- Discussions around an event for January 2021

CUSSAG 2020-21

CUSSAG – Cambridge University Student Sport Advisory Group

- **Represent the Student Sport at Cambridge**
- **Contribute to the future of Cambridge Sport**

If you would like to be part of the group for 2020-21, please get in touch us.

Thank You

Please get in touch via registration@sport.cam.ac.uk if:

- Your club is planning activity during the summer vacation and you require sign off
- You would like to review your college sport provision
- You have any questions that have not been covered today



Thank You
